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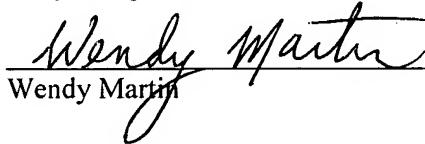
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

This Response is responsive to the Office Action mailed on January 4, 2005, in the above-identified patent application.

Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows, without prejudice:

- **Amendment to the specification** begins on page 2 of this paper.
- **Listing of claims** begins on page 3 of this paper.
- **Remarks** begin on page 16 of this paper.